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Re: Amendment and Response  
Appl. No.: 10/608,504  
Filed: June 30, 2003  
For: **Nucleotide Sequences Coding for the Export  
of Branched-Chain Amino Acids, Process for  
the Isolation Thereof and Use Thereof**  
Inventor(s): Kennerknecht, *et al.*  
Atty. Dkt.: 7601/80525

Sir:

The following documents are being forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.  
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1. Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
2. Return postcard.

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Applicants calculate the filing fee is as follows:

	No. After Amendment	No. Previously Paid for	No. Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims Fee	38	44 =	0	\$ 18.00	0.00
Independent Claims Fee	2	3 =	0	\$ 86.00	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Fee (Previously Paid)	0	0	0	\$ 290.00	0.00
Total Additional Claims Fee					0.00
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE</b>					<b>0.00</b>

As shown above, Applicants do not believe that any fees are due for the filing of this response. However, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency with respect to this filing and any other fee required in connection with the present case, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 06-1135 under Order No. 7601/80525.

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Respectfully requested,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-captioned application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of the present document.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of the present document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of the present document.